

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2005, applicants hereby elect the species of Species 1 identified by the Examiner as including Figs. 1-9. Applicants have canceled claims 18-43 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Claims 44-46 have been added. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-17 and 44-46 read on at least the species identified as Species 1. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected species in this case or in a subsequent case.

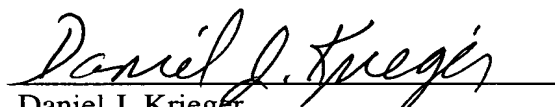
As such, following the election of species and invention restriction, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-17 and 44-46 are appropriate for consideration and allowance.

If necessary, applicant requests that this response be considered a request for an extension of time appropriate for the response to be timely filed. Applicant requests that any required fees needed beyond those submitted with this response be charged to the deposit account of Bose McKinney & Evans, Deposit Account No. 02-3223.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below should any question or comments arise during the course of consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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